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UNIVERSITY FACULTY

The voting by you, the University Faculty, for who will represent <u>you</u> on the Presidential Search Committee <u>is now in its final 24 hours</u> (closing at noon tomorrow, Friday). The next President will arrive during urgent times for the UK budget and will make crucial decisions and priorities as to the level of support that our different faculty-driven programs will receive. The choice of our next UK President will directly affect each of our individual research, teaching and service programs, and those of our departments and colleges, for a number of years to come.

It is imperative that the search committee select for the Board of Trustees presidential candidates who truly appreciate and understand the University Faculty's roles in the accomplishment of the University's missions.

Your voting participation in selecting your three Faculty representatives for the search committee will contribute to the mandate that your representatives exert on your behalf in the search committee's decisions. *The greater your participation, the greater will be the mandate* at the search committee that the three Faculty representatives represent the will of the University Faculty.

At this time 539 (25%) of the University Faculty have voted (compared to the 86% of the Faculty Senators who voted on your behalf in the initial nominating round).

Please, this is so important. Go now to the election site and cast your votes for your representatives:

VOTING SITE LINK: https://sweb.uky.edu/USC/finals/

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MEMBERSHIP OF PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

As you are aware, the membership of a **Presidential Search Committee** needs to be determined. Under the Board of Trustee's Governing Regulations, the representatives of the University Faculty and the members

appointed by the Board Chair constitute the two largest groups on the search committee. The seriousness of our election of highly qualified University Faculty representatives cannot be overemphasized. The importance is seen by the extraordinarily high voter turnout in the initial nominating conducted last week by the elected Faculty Senators (86% voter participation!)

Presidential Search Committee Composition*:

- **6-** Appointed by Board Chair from Board members
- 3- University Faculty members selected by a procedure determined by the University Senate
- 2- Students
- 1- Staff employee
- 1- UK Alumnus

ELECTION OF UNIVERSITY FACULTY REPRESENTATIVES

The procedure for election of the 3 University Faculty representatives as determined by the University Senate Rules is in two stages:

- 1- An initial nomination round, in which the elected Faculty Senators elect from themselves six nominees.
- 2- A final voting round in which all eligible members of the University Faculty** vote to elect the final three members to the search committee.

Last week, the elected Faculty Senators completed the nomination of six finalists for the final voting round that **you**, the University Faculty, will now conduct. The six finalists constitute a diverse representation of our University Faculty, including candidates from the Colleges of Agriculture, Arts & Sciences, Engineering, Graduate School, Medicine.

PROCESS BY WHICH YOU NOW GO TO VOTE

- Please go to the voting site link below. There are two ways to log-in to the site. You may use either:
- 1- Your email ID and email password

Or

- 2- Your UKID and your date of birth (e.g., 11/22/63)
- At the voting site you will have the opportunity before your vote to examine an 'election statement' submitted by each candidate.
- -You MUST rank order as 1, 2 and 3, three of the six nominees on the ballot. Any ballot not submitting three rank order votes will not be electronically accepted by the voting site.

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- Each day, the University Senate home page will be updated at approximately noon to show the number of persons who have cast their vote up to that time.

MANDATE FOR OUR UNIVERSITY FACULTY REPRESENTATIVES

It is very important that we have a high faculty voter turnout, because the greater the turnout then the greater the force of mandate that our elected Faculty representatives will be able to assert on behalf of those (us) whom they represent. So, please go to the voting site above and submit your votes!

The election site will close at NOON this Friday, October 8, 2010!

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*It used to be that there were equal numbers of University Faculty and Trustees on the committee, and it was named the "Joint Board-Faculty Presidential Search Committee." However, in the searches that led to the 1990 and 2001 appointments of Charles Wethington and Lee Todd, as students and staff were added to the committee, the Board Trustees wanted yet another Trustee added to numerically 'counter' each. See: http://www.uky.edu/Faculty/Senate/files/HxCompstnPresSearchCmt.pdf

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^{**}Specifically, the members of the University Faculty who are eligible to vote in their College election of Senators are eligible to vote in this final election round for the Presidential Search Committee members. <u>Click here for list of eligibles.</u>